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An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Edward R. Lawson Jr. on 11 October 2011.

The application has been amended as follows:

## In the Claims

In claim 1, line 3, after "axis", insert ---about which the wiper shaft is adapted to rotate within the bearing---.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner

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can normally be reached on Tuesday to Friday (7:00-5:00).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor,

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